

March 5, 1980

## Marguerite Cowan

Funeral services for Mrs. Marguerite F. Cowan, 76, of Groton were held Thursday, Feb. 28, at St. John's Lutheran Church with the Rev. Monte Gusewelle officiating.

Organist for the service was Mrs. Eugene Neuman. Soloist David Suelz sang "How Great Thou Art" and "The Lord's Prayer." The congregation sang "Nearer my God to Thee."

Burial was in the Conde Cemetery. The Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel was in charge of arrangements.

Honorary casket bearers were Werner Baumgartner, Joseph Cowan, August Grieben, Marvin Harry, Roy Hoops, Herman Krueger and Howard Nogle.

Active casket bearers were all grandsons, Richard Cowan, Robert Cowan, Gary Klabo, Gordon Klabo, Sonny Klabo and Michael Lemmon.

Mrs. Cowan died Sunday, Feb. 24, at St. Luke's Hospital in Aberdeen.

Marguerite F. Bahr was born May 20, 1903, at Groton to Gustav R. and Flora Bahr. After attending Northern State in Aberdeen she taught in rural schools in the Ortley and Ferney area.

She married Clare A. Cowan on September 17, 1927 at Aberdeen. The family farmed in the Verdon community until the death of her husband May 29, 1962. She then was employed as a Housemother at the School for the Visually Handicapped in Aberdeen until she retired in 1968. She moved to Groton where she lived until the time of her death.

She was formerly a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church and St. Paul's Ladies Aid of Ferney. After moving to Groton she became a member of St. John's Lutheran Church and St. John's Ladies Aid, the Chancel Circle and Groton Senior Citizens. She also was a long time member of the Good Cheer Club and Homebuilders Extension Club of Verdon.

Survivors include one son, Clair of Groton; two daughters, Mrs. Donna Mae Klabo, of Aberdeen; and Mrs. Ward (Norma) Lemmon, of Andover; one brother, Albert Bahr, of Groton; one sister, Mrs. Hulda Fehr, of Lakewood, Colo.; 12 grandchildren and eight great grandchildren, several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband and one brother.